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SUBJECT: UK DEMARCHE TO KUWAIT GOVT RE POSSIBILITY ARABS
MAY CUT BACK OIL PRODUCTION

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1. BRITISH AMBASSADOR WILTON STOPPED BY OCT 17 TO TELL ME HE JUST BACK FROM CALL ON PM/CROWN PRINCE JABER AL AHMAD TO WHOM UNDER INSTRUCTIONS, HE HAD CONVEYED HMG MESSAGE THAT BRITISH DOING ALL THEY CAN TO HELP BRING ABOUT EARLIEST CEASEFIRE AND EQUITABLE SOLUTION TO MIDEAST PROBLEM AND ARE IN CLOSE CONTACT WITH USG AND OTHERS. THEREFORE CUTBACK OF OIL TO EEC COUNTRIES BY ARABS WILL CONTRIBUTE NOTHING TO SOLUTION OF PRESENT CRISIS BUT ONLY ALIENATE THEIR FRIENDS. WILTON SAID HIS INSTRUCTIONS WERE TO AVOID REFERENCE TO SAUDI WARNING (REFTEL) BUT MAKE DEMARCHE IN CONTEXT OIL CONFERENCE NOW UNDERWAY IN KUWAIT AND CERTAIN WARNING STATEMENTS MADE RECENTLY IN EGYPT AND ELSEWHERE.

2. WILTON SAID REPLY FROM JABER, WHO APPEARED A BIT NERVOUS BUT WAS PERFECTLY FRIENDLY, COULD BE SUMMED UP IN THESE WORDS: "WE
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HAVE NO INTENTION OF HURTING OUR FRIENDS - WE NEED THEM".

3. WILTON AGREES WITH OUR ANALYSIS THAT GOK WILL DO ITS BEST COUNTER EFFORTS OF OTHERS AT CONFERENCE TO ADOPT EXTREME RESOLUTIONS;

BUT THAT KUWAITIS WILL HAVE TO ASSOCIATE THEMSELVES WITH RESOLUTIONS
HOWEVER THEY COME OUT.
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